

FLEEING DOG BITES BOYS AND RAISES GENERAL RUCTION

Animal Misunderstands Juvenile Ty Cobb and Police Come to the Rescue.

A stray bulldog with a short rope attached to his collar strayed into Mulberry street, between Spring and Prince, at the noon hour today. The block was full of children. It usually is. The kids ceased their play as soon as they spotted the dog, and hurried sticks and stones at the bull. The dog ran. Half way up the block, propelled by a myriad of missiles, the dog was flying like a yacht tossed over with a breeze over the quarter.

Antonio DiMoro, aged nine, living at No. 200 Mulberry street, and Alfred Caputo, six years old, were playing ball. Antonio had a stick. The dog, running the gauntlet, thought the stick was intended for a swipe at him as he passed. He flew at the boy and sank his teeth in his left leg. Little six-year-old Alfred ran to the aid of his older friend. Picking up the stick he belabored the bulldog with all his tiny strength. The animal turned and caught him by the left arm.

Women in windows screamed at the dog. Women ran from their kitchens with rolling pins, with pokeys, with flatirons, with anything that came to hand, and made for the building. The dog covered under the advance of the Amazons. After he had been cracked over the head a few times he ran into a cellar and from that safe retreat growled and showed his teeth. Policeman Carlin of the Mulberry street station deftly leaped the canine and dragged him into the street. He was taken to the station in a patrol wagon, and the health authorities sent for.

By the time two uniformed men had arrived from the Health Department, the dog had recovered his nerve. He broke away, and there was a wild scattering of health inspectors and policemen. Policeman Carlin came to the rescue with his lance, and the dog went to the Health Office.

Meantime, Dr. Walsh of the St. Vincent Hospital had cautioned the wounds of the children, and they will be held for observation for some time, as the dog will be inspected for rabies.

VANISHING AUTO AND HARLEM GIRLS LOST NEAR BOSTON

Police Dragnet in New England to Catch Two Chauffeur Kidnappers.

Police reports from all over New England to Detective Birmingham and Collins of the Harlem district bring no light on the whereabouts of Katie Ryan of No. 121 West One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street and Annie Murphy of No. 200 West One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, who disappeared from their homes last Wednesday evening in the company of James Murray and Adolph Nehers, twenty-one-year-old chauffeurs. The girls are sixteen years old and had never been absent from their homes overnight before.

Murray is believed to have sold the automobile of Dr. Emil Muller of No. 215 West One Hundred and Twentieth street, which he stole when he ran away with Nehers and the two girls. It is known that the quartet were in Boston last Friday, but police investigation there has failed to unearth any clue as to their movements in that city. The detectives, after exhaustive inquiries, are convinced that the escapee was not an elopement, as Nehers was engaged to a girl in East Ninety-seventh street, to whom he sent a postcard from Boston. Neither the Murphy nor the Ryan girl was apparently smitten with Murray.

It is believed that the two chauffeurs started off for a joy ride and persuaded the girls to accompany them. Birmingham's investigations establish that the combined capital of the quartet was \$47. It is thought that as soon as Murray's money runs out he will send the girls home. He and Nehers face serious criminal charges, including a violation of the Mann White Slave act, which forbids the taking of women from one state to another for immoral purposes.

FANATICS MURDER PRIEST.

Missionary With His Servant Victims of "Killer Brothers."

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—Advice from China to Catholic officials here tell of the death of Rev. Francis Bernat, a Franciscan missionary, at the hands of Chinese fanatics in a remote region of North Shensi on June 12 last. The message said that Father Bernat and a servant were travelling in Shensi when they were attacked by members of the Chinese society of the Elder Brothers, a dreaded confederation of Chinese that has opposed the march of Christianity in the Orient. Both the priest and his servant were killed.

Father Bernat was a native of Barcelona, Spain. He entered on his missionary work in China five years ago.

The Evening World's and Welfare Association's City-Wide Series of Better Babies' Contests

Record Score of 172 Babies Registered in Two Hours in Hartley House District



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GODDARD HOUSE.



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Total Registration for the Greenwich House Contest Is Now Close to 550 and the Enrollment Is Increasing Daily—Many Fine Specimens Presented and the Interest Grows.

With a smashing score of 172 babies, the new Better Babies' Contest conducted by The Evening World and Hartley House closed its first day of registration yesterday. This is a record number of candidates to be enrolled in two hours.

But in this contest there are three registration places. The territory covered by the contest is bounded on the north by Fifty-ninth street, on the south by Forty-second street, on the east by Fifth avenue, and on the west by North River. For the convenience of mothers this territory is divided into three districts, with a centre of registration in each.

Any mother living north of Forty-second street and south of Forty-ninth street, west of Fifth avenue, including both sides of Fifth avenue, may register her baby at Hartley House, No. 418 West Forty-sixth street.

Any mother living from Forty-seventh street, including both sides, to Fifty-third street, and west of Fifth avenue, including both sides, may register her baby at the City Milk Station, No. 510 West Forty-seventh street.

Any mother living from Fifty-third street, including both sides, to Fifty-ninth street, and west of Fifth avenue, including both sides, may register her baby at the Children's Aid Society School, No. 552 West Fifty-third street. Registration hours are from 8 to 4 every afternoon this week, except Saturday.

THROGS OF BABIES AT EACH REGISTRATION PLACE.

It is most important that each mother should go to the registration centre provided for her district. If she goes to a centre in one of the other districts she will simply have a trip

for nothing. Several centres have been opened in order to save the mothers and babies long, tiresome walks.

There were groups and lines of baby carriages and strollers in front of each one of the registration doors yesterday afternoon. The contest had been well canvassed in advance, and then Hartley House and its head workers, Miss May Matthews, have always shown a keen interest in the neighboring babies and their mothers.

The Clinton District, at the neighborhood is closed, fairly spills over with children. Hartley House has two kindergartens for them, and two mothers' clubs. Every summer the settlement sends a large number of mothers and babies into the country, and during their visits among the tenements the settlement workers have always emphasized the importance of baby hygiene. The nurse of the New York City Milk Committee has long had her headquarters at Hartley House. The present nurse, Miss Frederika Farley, is in charge of the registration, together with one of the house workers, Miss A. G. Ball.

Miss Farley minutely inspected every baby whom she entered in the contest, to see if it needed any immediate attention.

"Does your baby sleep with its mouth open?" she asked one mother. "Yes? Well, you take it to the milk station nearest you, and they'll tell you of something that must be done for that baby."

"Almonds," she commented, after the mother had left. "An operation will be necessary, sooner or later."

While Miss Farley answers any questions as to the dressing of children or the care of the home, she refers to mothers who have inquiries about diet to the milk station in their district. For medical advice she refers the mothers to the nearest free dispensary.

TWO EXTRA QUESTIONS THAT ARE ASKED.

There are two questions which are asked each mother, besides the questions printed on the registration card. She requires: "Where do you procure milk for your baby?" She also asks: "Where do you procure medical attention and advice?"

If the mother seems to need the knowledge, she is told the location of the city milk station in her district, and, to give her no excuse for forgetting, the address is checked off

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some boy. He wears a khaki Indian suit, and knows how to dance a break-down beautifully.

Fifty-four children between three months and five years were registered at the Children's Aid Society School, No. 552 West Fifty-third street. The workers in charge there were Mrs. H. L. Reel of Hartley House, Mrs. Eleanor Bluby, social worker at the Sacred Heart Church, and Miss Kate O'Connell, the department of health nurse.

THIS MOTHER CONFIDENT OF WINNING A PRIZE.

"Don't you think this guy will get a prize?" one mother asked Miss O'Connell anxiously, pushing up to the desk a scrubby urchin of three or four. Irish, Germans and Italians are the races scheduled at this centre.

Some very beautiful children with Irish mothers and Italian fathers have been registered at Little Italy House, No. 14 Union street, Brooklyn. Thirty-eight children were entered there yesterday, under the one-to-a-family rule, making 118 the total registration so far.

Nineteen youngsters were added to the lists at Warren Goddard House, No. 248 East Thirty-fourth street. In this contest only children under two years are allowed, and 135 have been entered. At the indefatigable Greenwich House, No. 33 Jones street, twenty-five babies were enrolled yesterday afternoon. At this house alone 63 babies have been entered, and counting those enrolled at the other registration centres, the total is close to 550. Registration will continue until Sept. 1.

WEDDED CHRISTIAN THEN DISOWNED, DRIVEN TO SUICIDE

Kaplow Told to Leave Wife, Return to Faith or Be as One Dead.

Charles Kaplow, an acrobat, walked into the cigar store at the southeast corner of Fifth avenue and Forty-second street today and went to the telephone. He called a Bronx number and was heard to say:

"Well, father, 'you don't have to worry about me any more. It is all over. You can have it your own way.'"

Turning to a clerk, he asked for a glass of water. He dropped several tablets into the water and drank.

"I have swallowed bicarbonate of mercury," he said.

He walked to the door and pitched forward in a heap on the sidewalk. Traffic Policeman Haale called Ambulance Surgeon Hale from New York Hospital. The surgeon applied first aid measures, restored Kaplow to consciousness and took him to Bellevue Hospital, where it was said he would recover. He told the surgeon that his family had disowned him because he married a Christian woman.

The police went to the furnished room where Kaplow lived with his wife at No. 25 Second avenue. They found there that he had been married about the middle of July to Miss Leah Powers, a graduate nurse attached to Gouverneur Hospital. He met the young woman when he went to the hospital in answer to an advertisement for athletic men who would give their skin

for grafting. His marriage to Miss Powers followed two days later.

When Kaplow took his wife to his father's home at No. 1457 Wilkins avenue, the Bronx, the doors were shut against them both. In desperation Kaplow renounced his religion and became a Baptist like his wife. Angry messages from his parents increased his moodiness. He was told finally yesterday that unless he gave up his wife and returned to his father's religion he would hereafter be regarded as one dead.

MILITANTS BURN HOUSE DESPITE BRITISH TRUCE

Fine Country Dwelling Destroyed in Town Near London—Suffragette Literature in Ruins.

LONDON, Aug. 26.—The news of the truce between the militant suffragettes and the British Government evidently has not reached the districts outside of London, as a fine country house in the suburban town of Finchley to the north of London was burned down early today by suffragette sympathizers who left a quantity of suffrage literature among the ruins.

The place was occupied by a caretaker, the family having gone away for the summer.

Roosevelt Here; Silent.

Col. Theodore Roosevelt reached New York today on his return from Arizona, went direct from the station to his editorial office and found there a group of callers waiting to see him on diverse subjects, politics included. To interviewers Col. Roosevelt announced that he had nothing to say. He plans to go to Oyster Bay this afternoon.



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